



A Special way of looking at Common Core Standards for Students with Disabilities

A Newsletter for Special Education Teachers Addressing Common Core Challenges
Educational Equity For All

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Science Supports and Strategies

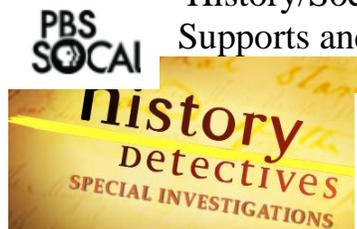


CHRISTMAS SCIENCE
ACTIVITIES AND
EXPERIMENTS FOR KIDS

Christmas presents so many fun opportunities for AMAZING ways to explore science and STEM all month long with a variety of holiday themes. From candy canes to Christmas trees and gingerbread men to Santa himself!

Theme science and can still work with your NGSS (Next generation Science Standards) Our Christmas science activities work well for kids ages pre-k through early elementary. Explore chemistry and physics with easy to set up and inexpensive science <https://goo.gl/EQ2aNb>

History/Social Studies Supports and Strategies



You'll find many special features on our website, from tips on conducting your own historical investigation to resources to u

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[Educators](#) - Lesson plans and other tools to ignite student interest in history, science, and other core subjects

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Math Supports and Strategies



Equals Mathematics is a K-12, comprehensive, standards-based curriculum developed for students with differing

abilities. The program includes over 400 lessons, print support materials, a manipulative kit, a web-based technology lesson center, and access to online support materials and includes an ongoing fidelity program to support implementation success. Check out a sample lesson on website and/or two week loan kit of the manipulatives and lesson. <https://www.ablenetinc.com/>

English Supports and Strategies



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We create educational rap and hip-hop songs and worksheets for teachers who need something fun and engaging to use in class.

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- Social Studies Songs
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... Giving kids what they need to succeed

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Universal Design for Learning



UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR
LEARNING



There are two major sections in this Course Enhancement Module. The first section introduces Universal Design in architecture and product design and illustrates how these ideas influenced the educational movement that has become Universal Design for Learning (UDL). Learner variability, which is the scientific foundation of UDL, is also introduced in the first section. The first section also includes an interactive journey through the principles and guidelines that make up the UDL framework. The final section provides the participants with an opportunity to integrate the framework into their lessons and classroom practice. <http://cedar.education.ufl.edu/cems/udl/>

21st Century Learning

Study after study has shown that it is a far superior way for students to learn non-foundational knowledge – a higher level of knowledge that’s acquired by applying critical thinking and logic, not simply recalling facts. To oversimplify, the two core concepts of collaborative learning are:

- Student-centered learning, that empowers the students and makes them active participants in the learning process
- Based on solving open-ended problems or creating some sort of a “product” which could be anything from a report, a poster or a video

The educational benefits of collaborative learning extend beyond academics. Collaborative learning also fosters growth in maturity and confidence on the parts of the learners. It does that by presenting emotional and social challenges to the student. The student doesn’t simply perform a task needed to complete the group project. Rather, s/he will have to explain and defend her/his position and thinking in relation to her/his work to the other students in the group.

Download our 21st Century Classroom PDF Guide: “Getting the most out of your classroom space.”

The guide includes our “top 5 components” to consider when planning a 21st Century classroom.

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Individual Educational Plan Connections



Using a Word Bank Process to Develop
Standards-Based IEP Goals & Objectives

A Guide to Common Core State Standards-Based IEPs

<https://goo.gl/UYvg7M>

WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

<http://www.flexlearnstrategies.net/9-disability/>

<https://goo.gl/3EhQyh>

<https://www.lauracandler.com/signup/>

Professional Development

Trim Three (or More!) Hours Off Your Workweek NOW

Free online workshop for teachers
with Angela Watson

In this free 60 minute training, I’m sharing practical time-saving strategies and simple mindset shifts that will help you:

- * Reduce your workload
- * Eliminate the unnecessary
- * Automate processes
- * Delegate responsibility to students
- * Get more done in less time
- * Create a sustainable work schedule

From lesson planning to grading, you’ll walk away with lots of ideas for small changes that add up to big results, and get a fresh dose of motivation for the new year.

<https://40htw.com/join/webinar/>



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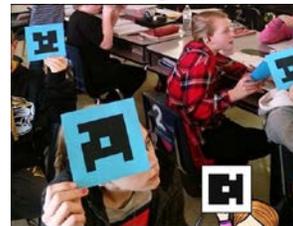
Classroom Hacks

Video Series

Learn the best Classroom Hacks in just 3 minutes. Solutions you need. In quick video format. A team of world class classroom teachers have developed these quick videos to help you solve the most common classroom problems. Direct and to the point.

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Made Easy with
TASK CARDS

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<https://goo.gl/Ru5Pn8>

Plickers is a tech tool worth exploring, so jump in and give it a try!